(Figs in lakh of Rs.)

| Details of work | Location | Railway's share | State Governments share |
|---|---|---|---|
| Road overbridge in replacement of level crossing No. 23 A. | Sagar | 48.40 | 152.4 |
| Road overbridge in replacement to level crossing No. 175. | Nimbola | 110.00 | 71.00 |
| Road underbridge in replacement of level crossing No. 386 A. | Satna | 141.57 | 388.93 |

(c) data of accidents is not maintained State wise.

**Committee on Konkan Railway route in Goa**

380. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that one man Committee headed by Mr. Manenzes the former Chairman of the Railway Board was appointed to examine the objection raised on the Konkan Raiway route in Goa;

(b) if so, what were the recommendations of the Manenzes Committee;

(c) whether these recommendations were accepted by the Railways; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons for appointing a new Commission headed by Justice Oza to review the route of the Konkan Railway in Goa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The recommendations of the Menenzes Committee were as under: (i) The alignment proposed by the Konkan Railway Corporation and approved by the Goa State Government should be adopted for the section Mayem to Margao (about 46 kmt.). (ii) the alignment proposed by the Konkan Railway Corporation and approved by the Goa State Government for the section Margao to Balli (about 13 kms) should not be adopted as it bisects the villages of Navelim, Dramapur, Salzona and Cuncolim. The alignment for this section from Margao to Balli (about 13 kms) could be shifted eastwards along the foothills even though it will involve construction of 2 tunnels and is slightly longer in length.

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) An alternative route was suggested by NATPAK, a firm of consultants, which was claimed to be cheaper by Rs. 80 crores than the existing alignment. This was examined by RITES. However, in view of divergent perceptions and contradictory demands from different sections of the people, the Government decided to appoint a high level committee to look into and recommend the alignment which should be followed between Mayem and Bali under Retired Supreme Court Judge, Justice G. J. Oza

**Facilities for the Sleeper Class Passengers**

381. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have created a Special class called 'Sleeper' class by charging 25 per cent more fares;

(b) if so, what additional facilities are being provided for the passengers travelling by Sleeper Class;

(c) whether Government have made any surprise checks especially on long distance trains like karnataka Express to get first hand information regarding plight of sleeper class passengers;